urban transport technologies, e.g. Metro Rail and Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS) etc. depending upon what best suits different local situations.

(d) and (e) Urban transport is a State subject. Furthermore needs for each cities are different. Further, as such the studies are conducted by different cities/State Governments and proposals submitted to the Government of India, if Central financial assistance is required.

Accidents in the country on NHs

360. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise/National Highway-wise details of accidents that occurred in the country particularly on NH-9 and NH-18;

(b) the reasons for not converting the two NHs into four lane roads so far;

(c) whether Government have formulated any plan in this regard;

(d) if so, the details of funds allotted by Government during the year 2006-07; and

(e) by when the above National Highways are to be converted into four lane?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) State-wise details of road accidents occurred on National Highways in the country during 2005 (latest available) are enclosed at Statement *(See* below). However, National Highway (NH)-wise details of road accidents'are not available.

(b) and (c) NH-9 starts from Pune in Maharashtra passes through Karnataka and terminates at Machilipatnam in Andhra Pradesh and is having a total length of 873 km. NH 18 starts from Chittoor are terminates at Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh and is having a total length of 360 km. Four-laning of NH-9 an NH-18 is being considered in a phased manner depending upon traffic requirements and availability of funds.Out of the total length of 873 km of NH-9, a length of 143 km is already 4/6

lane. 31 km is in progress and 495 km is proposed under NHDP III/ BOT. As regards NH-18, outofits total length of 360 km, fourlaning is in progress in a length of 7 km and a length of 192 km is proposed under NHDP III.

(d) For the development of National Highways, allocation is made for the entire NH-network in the State'and not NH-wise. An amount of Rs. 280.86 crore has been allocated for the development of National Highways including widening to 4/6 lane in the States of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh during 2006-07.

(e) As mentioned above, it will depend upon the traffic requirements, *inter se* priority and overall availability of funds.

Statement

States/Union Territories-wise details of Road Accidents occurred on National Highways during the year 2005

SI.No	. States	Total Accidents
1.	Andhra Pradesh	37131
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	231
3.	Assam	4258
4.	Bihar	3768
5.	Chhattisgarh	11164
6	Goa	3577
7.	Gujarat	30515
8.	Haryana	9298
9.	Himachal Pradesh	2797
10.	JammuS Kashmir	5664
11.	Jharkhand	5013
12.	Karnataka	40330
13.	Kerala	42295
14.	Madhya Pradesh	35123

SI.No	. States	Total Accidents
15.	Maharashtra	72408
16.	Manipur	600
17.	Meghalaya	428
18.	Mizoram	96
19.	Nagaland	226
20.	Orissa	7593
21:	Punjab	4599
22	Rajasthan	23115
23.	Sikkim	189
24.	Tamil Nadu	53866
25.	Tripura	657
26.	Uttarakhand	1332
27.	Uttar Pradesh	18325
28.	West Bengal	12597
	Union Territories	
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	205
2.	Chandigarh	530
3.	Dadra&NagarHaveli	127
4.	Daman & Diu	62
5.	Delhi	9351
6.	Lakshadweep	5
7.	Pondicherry	1780
	TOTAL:	439255

Road accidents in the country

361. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: